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ANDREW ALEXANDER NARA AND MARY KIMBERLY NARA

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Mr. McCARRAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 3162]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill (S. 3162) for the relief of Andrew Alexander Nara and Mary Kimberly Nara, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of the bill is to grant to the minor adopted children of United States citizens the status of nonquota immigrants which is the status normally enjoyed by the alien minor children of citizens of the United States.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The beneficiaries of the bill were born in Germany on October 8, 1951, and November 12, 1951, and have been adopted by Capt. and Mrs. Edwin A. Nara, who are citizens of the United States. Captain Nara is presently stationed in Germany with our Armed Forces.

Senator Edwin C. Johnson, the author of the bill, has submitted the following information in connection with the case:

HEADQUARTERS, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTEENTH
ARMORED CAVALRY, UNITED STATES ARMY,
APO 46, May 26, 1952.

Hon. EDWIN C. JOHNSON,
Senator from Colorado,
Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C.

DEAR SENATOR JOHNSON: This letter is on behalf of Capt. Edwin A. Nara, and to enlist your assistance in procuring special authorization for the entry of his two adopted children into the United States. I have knowledge of the fact that these children were duly adopted by Captain and Mrs. Nara in conformance with the laws of Germany.

I understand that these children, Andrew Alexander Nara, age 8 months, and Mary Kimberly, age 7 months, cannot be admitted to the United States under existing legislation pertaining to displaced persons.

I have known Captain and Mrs. Nara for a period of over 2 years. They are persons of good moral, financial, and social stamina, intensely interested in these children, and are capable of rearing the children as valuable citizens of our country. Whatever action you can take to expedite the authority described above will be deeply appreciated by Captain and Mrs. Nara, and by myself. Captain and Mrs. Nara anticipate orders requiring their return to the United States in November 1952.

Respectfully yours,

JOHN W. HOPKINS, Jr.,
Lieutenant Colonel, Armor, Commanding.

CERTIFICATE

HEADQUARTERS FOURTEENTH ARMORED CAVALRY
(UNITED STATES CONSTABULARY) UNITED STATES ARMY,
APO 757, October 22, 1951.

Subject: Letter of Recommendation for Adoption of Child.

To Whom It May Concern:

1. This is to certify that I have known Capt. Edwin A. Nara, O1825245, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, Fourteenth Armored Cavalry Regiment for approximately 10 months during which time he has served in my regiment. During this time I had opportunity to observe very closely the habits and traits of Captain and Mrs. Nara.

2. Captain Nara's work has been satisfactory and he impresses me as being ideally suited for the purpose of adopting a child. His personal conduct, habits, and character are above reproach and it is my belief that Captain and Mrs. Nara would make excellent parents.

3. Captain Nara was commissioned upon graduation from OCS in 1943; he is a Reserve officer on EAD in category III, which expires in September 1954. He is due to rotate to the zone of interior in November 1952. His personnel records indicate that he is married to Hazel M. Nara and does not have any children or dependents other than his wife. His income is such that he can support a child.

C. P. ROBBINS,
Colonel, Armor, Commanding.

AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL,
Frankfort-on-the-Main, Germany, March 17, 1952.

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that from preliminary examination it would appear that Andrew A. Nara (Werner Hanken), born October 8, 1951, in Koeppern (Taunus), Germany, and Mary K. Nara (Sigrid Basner), born November 12, 1951, in Fulda, Germany, qualify under the provisions of the immigration laws of the United States for immigration to the United States.

It should be distinctly understood that Andrew and Mary are not eligible to receive consideration for special nonquota immigration visas to the United States under section 2 (f) of the Displaced Persons Act of 1948, as amended, inasmuch as one of the provisions of that act stipulates that orphan children must have been residents of one of several countries including Germany prior June 30, 1950, and

Andrew and Mary were not born until October and November 1951. Therefore they are, unfortunately, not entitled to any preference or priority under current immigration laws and regulations. Should they be registered on the quota waiting list as intending immigrants, they would encounter an indefinite waiting period before their turn might be reached on the quota waiting list, due to the presently oversubscribed condition of the German quota.

JAMES P. PARKER,
American Vice Consul.

ALSFELD/HESSEN, GERMANY, April 16, 1952.

Senator Ed. C. JOHNSON
State Capitol Building, Denver, Colo.

DEAR SIR: We have adopted two small babies and seem to have struck a snag on getting them both home with us. We are due to leave this command in November of this year.

The children born of German parents, both father and mother, Andrew A. was born in Bad Homberg near Frankfurt, Mark K. born in Fulda. Andy 6 months and Kim is 5 months. We have had them since they were a few days old.

Have read about private bills being passed in Congress for the purpose of bringing the babies home if they do not come under the DP Act which has expired and as for these two they were not old enough to be covered by the act.

Would you please see what you can do for us. The quota number for the boy will come up in September but for the little girl we do not know when, she was registered after he was and that makes her come later.

All the adoption papers are finished, thanks to a Denverite. The legal assistant officer at Frankfurt Post Hitchcock, I'm sure you know him. His Denver office was in E. and C. building. Have they changed anything in the bill before Congress now about adopted children, I think they should do something and soon. All we hear over here is take an orphan home with you, and it is a wonderful thing for people who cannot have children, and everyone knows there are thousands of them here that will never have even enough to eat, no future, or education of any kind.

Have been chairman of welfare boards in this area for 3 years and the amount of children for adoption makes me so sad, we have raised money every week for charity and they seem to think we are millionaires in America.

Please do what you can for us, we know we have to readopt the children in Colorado when we get home.

Yours truly,

HAZEL M. NARA,
EDWIN A. NARA,

*Captain, Armor Headquarters, First Battalion, Fourteenth A/C Regt.,
APO 46, New York, N. Y.*

Denver Address, 2526 West Thirty-sixth Avenue.

HAZEL M. NARA

P. S.—German names of children were:

Werner Hanken (Andrew Alexander Nara). Born October 8, 1951.

Sigrid Basner (Mary Kimberly Nara). Born November 12, 1951.

The committee, after consideration of all the facts in the case, is of the opinion that the bill (S. 3162) should be enacted.

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